

New 2006 POTTER'S MARSH APPLICATION REGULATIONS New

GENERAL INFORMATION

Waterfowl blind sites at the Potter's Marsh area of the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge, Illinois, are allocated to waterfowl hunters by an annual drawing.

BLIND SITE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Same day registration and drawing will be held on July 29, 2006 at the Refuge Office, 7071 Riverview Road, Thomson IL. **Applications will be accepted from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., with drawing to be held at 2:00 p.m.** A \$10 application fee will be charged to each applicant. You must be present at the drawing to receive a blind.

Complete the attached application for the drawing. You will not list your blind choices on the application but will select your blind site from available blinds. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age as of July 29, 2006. All items must be completed. Failure to provide information, or incorrect information will void the application. Only one application per person will be accepted. The use of the blind and/or permit obtained through the sale or trade of blinds, blind sites, and hunting rights, or other fraudulent means is prohibited and will void the permit.

All information on the application will be verified at the time it is presented. Applicants are required to have in their possession the following: valid driver's license, 2006 Hunting or 2006 Sportsman's License, 2006 Federal waterfowl stamp, 2006 State duck stamp, and Firearm Owners Identification (FOID) card.

Non-residents can provide a current year license and state stamp from their resident state.

Illinois residents are required to have an Illinois Firearm Owners Identification Card (FOID). Residents under 21 who are accompanied by an adult (21 or older who has a valid card) do not need the FOID. Non-residents do not need the FOID.

The applicant will receive a lottery ticket with a matching ticket to be placed in the drawing. The ticket must be presented at the blind drawing.

BLIND DRAWING

You must be present for the lottery drawing that will begin at 2:00 p.m. When your ticket is drawn in the lottery, you will select your choice from the available blinds. A \$100 non-refundable blind fee will be charged for each applicant that receives a blind. These are mandated charges to recoup the administrative costs for the hunt.

BLIND SITE INFORMATION

Blind site locations will be identified by a numbered marker. If you cannot locate the assigned site, please contact the District office. Blind site markers have been GPS'd. If a marker is moved, the blind will be in violation.

Blind construction, including camouflaging, must be completed by September 20, 2006. After inspection by Refuge staff for compliance with Refuge regulations, a blind permit will be issued to the permittee BY MAIL.

Potter's Marsh
Blind Management Zone
Pool 13, Illinois - River Mile 525.0

- P - Hunters Parking Area
- - Blind Site
- - Potter's Marsh Blind Mgt. Buffer Zone
- ★ - Mickelson's Boat Landing

